Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* May I know whether there is any possibility of bifurcating this Department?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):* It is not at all possible in the financial condition of Cranganur at present.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്. പണിക്കർ. തഹസീൽദാർമാരുടെ നിയമനത്തിൽ, ചില സ്ഥലത്തു അതായതു് കൊടുങ്ങല്ലൂരിനെ സംബന്ധിച്ചിടത്തോളം, സബ് ഹിനുക്കളെ മാത്രമെ നിയമിച്ചുകൂടു എന്നു വന്നിട്ടുണ്ടു്. അതുപോലെ റവന്യൂഇൻസ്പെക്ടർമാരുടെ നിയമനത്തിലും എന്തെങ്കിലും റവന്യൂ ഫക്കായിൽ സബ് ഹിനുക്കൾ മാത്രമെ പാടുള്ളുവെന്നു വല്ലനിയമവുമുണ്ടോ?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):* Does that arise here, Sir?

Mr. President : That does not arise. As a matter of fact, there is only one Deputy Tahsildar for the whole State. The practice used to be to post the Deputy Tahsildar always to Cranganur, so that the actual budget of Cranganur may include only the pay of the Deputy Tahsildar and not the pay of the Tahsildar. The result was that, since a Caste-Hindu was wanted at Cranganur, every time a Deputy Tahsildar's place became vacant, only a Caste-Hindu could be appointed with the consequence that non-Caste Hindus could not be appointed there. To obviate this difficulty and inconvenience, it has been ordered by Government that hereafter the practice of posting the Deputy Tahsildar to Cranganur should be avoided so that every person is entitled to be appointed as a Deputy Tahsildar, whatever may be his caste, and if a particular Deputy Tahsildar is not a Caste-Hindu, he is posted to another Taluk and a Caste Hindu is posted there. I suppose there is no grievance on the part of Mr. Viswambharan. *(Laughter).*

COCHIN HARBOUR—FIXING OF LIMITS

12. Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Will the Government be pleased to place on the table of the House.—

(*a*) a map of the Cochin Harbour mouth, showing the exact limits of the State boundary in the backwaters between Ernakulam, Bolghatty, and Mattancheri within which the State exercises jurisdiction as settled on the report of the latest Boundary Commission that sat in the Darbar Hall at Ernakulam;

(*b*) a copy of the award or other documents fixing the above boundaries?

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Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar):*

(*a*) and (*b*) The matter is still under correspondence with the Government of India. No answers can be furnished at this stage.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* How do you settle the question of jurisdiction when offences are committed ?

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar):* Minor details.. .....The map is not fully ready.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* I am asking if the limits are not marked.....

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar):* The general boundary has been published in the Gazette.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Only the details?

FISHERIES—IMPROVEMENT OF

13. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether their attention has been drawn to an article entitled "കൊച്ചിയിലെ മത്സ്യവ്യവസായം" published in "The Progress" dated 5th October 1940, (page 2, column 2) suggesting ways and means for the improvement of fisheries in Cochin State;

(*b*) if answer to (*a*) is in the affirmative, whether Government are seriously considering the question of improvement of fisheries;

(*c*) whether any research is being conducted at the instance of the Government; if so, by whom; for what period is the present incumbent appointed?

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar):*

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The question of improvement of fisheries in the State has already engaged the attention of Government.

(c) Yes; by Mr. E. Sankara Menon, M.Sc., Fisheries Research Officer; for a period of 1 year from 3rd Medam 1115.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* May I know, Sir, whether Mr. E. Sankara Menon has any special qualification in pisciculture ?

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